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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant : David C. Schwartz

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Examiner : Ms. Monica Smith Carter  
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and TrademarksResponse to Office Action

On 01/22/2004 Applicant received a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment(37 CFR 1.1.21) indicating that each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. It was stated that a complete listing of all the claims was not present and that each claim had not been provided with a proper status identifier number.

This Notice was a response to a bonafide attempt by the Applicant to respond to a notice of 10/29/2003. Today Applicant is responding within the 30 day period permitted. Since the 30 day period fell out on 2/22/2004

which was a Sunday, Applicant is responding today, 2/23/2004 on Monday and is not providing any extension fee therefore. If this is not correct, Applicant requests the right to timely file the proper fee. The filing is sent using the FAX filing procedure.

I am providing the original two claims so that a complete listing of the original claims is present. I am also including the complete response to the 10/29/2003 notice which response was filed on December 29, 2003 in order to be sure that a complete amendment is delivered and the request for office action is clearly indicated in those papers. Applicant respectfully requests this submission be considered and entered as enabling a complete and correct amendment in this case and that prosecution continue with a proper examination of the claims as now amended.

**Complete listing of the claims with proper Identifiers:**

**Original claims #1 and #2 follow. Claim #1 is amended in the following papers, Claim #2 is canceled without prejudice, and claims #3 and #4 are added.**

<<<This is the original claim #1.///Please amend this claim as provided for in the following papers as incorporated in the attached response of 12/29/2003>>>>

-- 1. A binder pocket for a ring binder, for viewing leaves which may be held within by using a book like page turning operation, said binder pocket therefore a book binding pocket, said book binding pocket formed from a single sheet of flexible, foldable material, for holding a leaf having a set of perimeter features including opposing top and bottom height edges and opposing side width edges, a predetermined height, a predetermined width, said leaf further comprising a margin portion along one of said width edges

as well as a face surface for writing on, said book binding pocket comprising:

a base panel, substantially rectangular, having perimeter features including opposing corners, opposing height edges, opposing width edges, said opposing width edges comprising a book edge and a corner binding edge, a predetermined base panel height, and a predetermined base panel width, said predetermined base panel width being said pocket width,

said base panel further having a book binding structure formed along said book edge wherein, said book binding structure comprises a band having dimensions including a predetermined height and a predetermined width said predetermined width substantially the sum of a binding region of said book binding structure and the width of the margin portion of a leaf to be held within, said predetermined height substantially spanning said book edge, for holding said margin portion of said leaf thereunder, said band being closed along three sides and further having perimeter features including opposing top and bottom ends, a top tab portion, a bottom tab portion, and opposing inner and outer edges, said band being attached to said base panel along a first coterminous edge formed by said book edge of said base panel and said outer edge of said band, said band further being attached along a second and a third edge, said top end and said bottom end, wherein said band attached to said base panel along said top end and said bottom of said band is attached at said top end and said bottom end of said base panel by means of said top and said bottom tab portions, where said top band end is adhesively attached by said top tab structure to said base panel, said attachment forming a permanent closure between said base panel and said band top end and further, said band is adhesively attached at said bottom end by means of said bottom tab structure, said attachment forming a permanent closure

between said base panel and said band bottom end, for forming a first enclosed pocket between said band and said base panel, said first enclosed pocket so formed being open along said inner edge of said band, and wherein, said first enclosed pocket further comprises a binding region comprising a plurality of holes set a predetermined distance from said book edge, said plurality of holes further being placed a predetermined distance from said corner pocket edge, such that when a leaf is placed in said book binding pocket with a first edge of said leaf substantially coterminous with said corner pocket edge, said predetermined distance of said plurality of holes from said corner pocket edge is greater than said predetermined width of said leaf for holding, said book binding pocket further comprising

at least one of a top and bottom corner pockets formed on adjoining corners of said base panel along said corner pocket edge, said each of said at least one of said top and bottom corner pockets having three edges including two adjacent edges attached to said base panel and an open lip edge there between for forming each corner pocket closed along said two adjacent edges and open along said open lip edge,

such that when said leaf for holding in said book binding pocket is inserted therein for holding, with the edge of said leaf opposing said margin edge of said leaf, tucked into at least one of said corner pockets, with said leaf edge opposing said leaf margin edge substantially adjacent said corner pocket edge, said leaf margin edge is contained under said band with said plurality of holes remaining unobstructed by said margin edge of said leaf, said plurality of holes thereby permitting attachment there through to a host ring, such that said leaf has secure entry in said book binding pocket within said book binding structure and at least one of said corner pockets,

with said leaf face surface substantially exposed and accessible for direct writing, for turning as a page in a book from the edge opposing the leaf margin edge when such edge is relieved from said corner pocket, and for continuous shuffling one leaf below the next into the book binding pocket without having to open the rings of a binder when said book binding pocket is so contained by a ringed binder through its plurality of holes.

<<<Please cancel this claim>>>

-- 2. A binder pocket for a ring binder, for viewing leaves which may be held within by using a book like page turning operation, said binder pocket therefore a book binding pocket, said book binding pocket formed from a single sheet of flexible, foldable material, for holding a leaf having a set of perimeter features including opposing top and bottom height edges and opposing side width edges, a predetermined height, a predetermined width, said leaf further comprising a margin portion along one of said width edges as well as a face surface for writing on, said book binding pocket comprising:

a base panel, substantially rectangular, having perimeter features including opposing corners, opposing height edges, opposing width edges, said opposing width edges comprising a book edge and a corner binding edge, a predetermined base panel height, and a predetermined base panel width, said predetermined base panel width being said pocket width,

said base panel further having a book binding structure formed along said book edge wherein, said book binding structure comprises a band having dimensions including a predetermined height and a predetermined width said predetermined width substantially the sum of a binding region of said book

binding structure and the width of the margin portion of a leaf to be held within , said predetermined height substantially spanning said book edge, for holding said margin portion of said leaf thereunder, said band being closed along three sides and further having perimeter features including opposing top and bottom ends, and opposing inner and outer edges, said base panel further comprising a top tab portion and a bottom tab portion said top tab portion being attached to said base panel along said base panel top height edge substantially at said book edge , said bottom tab portion being attached to said base panel along said base panel bottom height edge substantially at said book edge, said band being attached to said base panel along a first coterminous edge formed by said book edge of said base panel and said outer edge of said band, said band further being attached along a second and a third edge, said top end and said bottom end , wherein said band attached to said base panel along said top end and said bottom of said band is attached to said top height end and said bottom height end of said base panel by means of said top and said bottom tab portions, where said top band end is adhesively attached at said top end to said base panel by said base panel top tab structure, said attachment forming a permanent closure between said base panel and said band top end and further, said bottom band end is adhesively attached at said bottom end by means of said base panel bottom tab structure, said attachment forming a permanent closure between said bottom band end and said base panel bottom end, for forming a first enclosed pocket between said band and said base panel, said first enclosed pocket so formed being open along said inner edge of said band, and wherein, said first enclosed pocket further comprises a binding region comprising a plurality of holes set a predetermined distance from said book edge, said

plurality of holes further being placed a predetermined distance from said corner pocket edge, such that when a leaf is placed in said book binding pocket with a first edge of said leaf substantially coterminous with said corner pocket edge, said predetermined distance of said plurality of holes from said corner pocket edge is greater than said predetermined width of said leaf for holding, said book binding pocket further comprising

at least one of a top and bottom corner pockets formed on adjoining corners of said base panel along said corner pocket edge, said each of said at least one of said top and bottom corner pockets having three edges including two adjacent edges attached to said base panel and an open lip edge there between for forming each corner pocket closed along said two adjacent edges and open along said open lip edge,

such that when said leaf for holding in said book binding pocket is inserted therein for holding, with the edge of said leaf opposing said margin edge of said leaf, tucked into at least one of said corner pockets, with said leaf edge opposing said leaf margin edge substantially adjacent said corner pocket edge, said leaf margin edge is contained under said band with said plurality of holes remaining unobstructed by said margin edge of said leaf, said plurality of holes thereby permitting attachment there through to a host ring, such that said leaf has secure entry in said book binding pocket within said book binding structure and at least one of said corner pockets, with said leaf face surface substantially exposed and accessible for direct writing, for turning as a page in a book from the edge opposing the leaf margin edge when such edge is relieved from said corner pocket, and for continuous shuffling one leaf below the next into the book binding pocket without having to open the rings of a binder when said book binding pocket